PacWest Silicon Smelter Project Scoping for the Environmental Impact Statement

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Ecology's Role

SEPA

- Determination of significance
- Scoping
- EIS

Permits

- Air quality
- Water quality
- Water use



What is SEPA?

Consider all elements of the environment when making agency decisions



Environmental Review Process

Environmental impact statement (EIS) identifies:

- Impacts
- Alternatives
- Possible mitigation

Determination

Scoping

Draft EIS

Final EIS

EIS Process

What is Scoping?

What should we study?

What methods should we use?

How could impacts be reduced?

Study Areas Can Include...

Δesthetics	Δir	Climate

Animals Water Health

Traffic Utilities Land

Proposed location

Newport, WA







Hard Rock Quartz







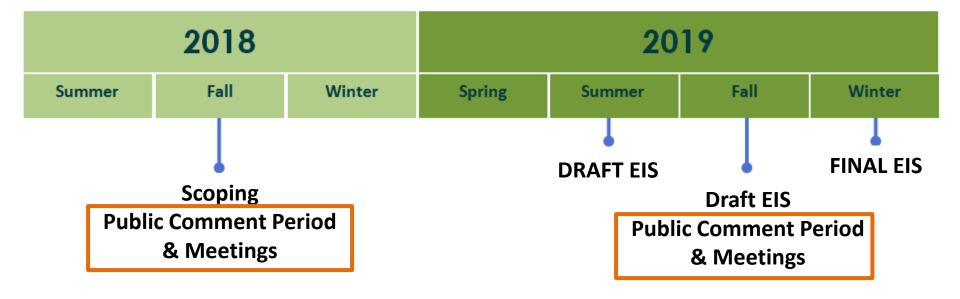


Silicon metal



Silica dust

Tentative SEPA Schedule*



*Will update as needed and post online.

We Want to Hear From You!

Impacts?

Type of analysis or study?

Alternative sites and project designs?

Measures to avoid or minimize impacts?

Public Comment Period

September 11 – October 26

Mail

In Person

Online

- Sept 18 in Spokane, WA
- Sept 19 in Newport, WA
- Sept 20 in Priest River, ID
- Sept 27 by online webinar